

Remarks/Arguments

In the Office Action, Claim 20 is rejected as anticipated, or met, by U.S. Patent 4,012,915 (Poma). Claims 21-26 are objected to as dependent on a rejected base claim.

In response to this Office Action, applicant amends Claim 20 to include the limitation that the bungee tube is selected to be rotated by turning the tube by hand in order to make the entire circumference of the tube visible and accessible, as described in applicant's specification paragraph [00044]. The Poma reference teaches a mandrel that is driven by a conventional pile-driving rig (Col 4 line 64 through Col. 5 line 6) and does not teach a bungee tube rotated to make the circumference of the tube visible and accessible. The amended claim is therefore not anticipated by the reference and is an allowable claim.

Since amended Claim 20 is an allowable claim, the objection to Claims 21-26 is respectfully requested to be removed.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims, as amended, overcome all the Office Action rejections and objections. The applicant submits the application is in condition for allowance, and that action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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